

**VILAS COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT
TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
FALL 2020**

**BIDS DUE BY 4:00 P.M. , NOVEMBER 30 ,
2020**



Sealed bids will be received by the Vilas County Forestry, Recreation, & Land Committee for the purchase of stumpage on the following descriptions of County owned lands, in accordance with the conditions set forth by the Committee. Sealed bids will be accepted by mail at Vilas County Forestry, 330 Court Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin 54521 or hand delivered to the Forestry Department at 2112 N. Railroad Street, Eagle River, Wisconsin 54521, all bids shall be in possession of the Forestry Department by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2020. FAX and email bids are not acceptable. Bids shall be opened publicly at the Vilas County Courthouse on December 1, 2020 during the regular monthly meeting of the Forestry, Recreation, & Land Committee. Bids may be withdrawn by the contractor at any time prior to the opening of the first bid on the first timber tract.

Vilas County Forest Lands are third party certified. Two sales on this prospectus contain un-certified portions of land and the wood is not certified due to location and timber practices. To promote maximum benefit to the environment, the health & welfare of our logging contractors, and to adhere to requirements of forest certification standards, Vilas County requires training of its logging contractors to the training standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI® Implementation Committee (SIC). For a bid(s) to be accepted, documentation verifying the bidder is certified under the training standard must accompany all bids. Also, successful purchasers of Vilas County stumpage must supply documentation, prior to the commencement of logging activity, ensuring at least one person on site during all harvest operations is certified under the training standard. Criteria for the standard can be found at www.fistausa.org/sfi_standards or by contacting the Forestry Industry Safety & Training Alliance (FISTA). Documentation confirming training under the Michigan standard is recognized and accepted.

Bids for each sale must meet require total bid amounts. Bidders should be aware that the Vilas County Timber Sale contract and bid forms were recently revised. Bidders are advised to review the changes prior to bidding. Notable changes include:

- Contractors must be identified as qualified prior to use of the mill scale-ticket box system. Backgrounds for this qualification is checked or proven by past performance on the Vilas County forest. A listing of approved mill scale qualified contractors is available.
- Log specifications now include 10" minimum diameter and requirement for meeting minimum Grade 3 as published in the Wisconsin and Michigan Timber Professionals Log Scaling and Grading Handbook.
- All hardwood bolts require woods scale and inspection prior to hauling.
- All letters of credit are required to be from an FDIC insured financial business licensed to do business in Wisconsin or Michigan

- Purchase of haul tickets is now considered advanced stumpage payment with minimum advance purchases based upon production rates.
- Individual bid forms specific to each sale

A Certificate of Insurance naming Vilas County as additional insured will be required with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00.

Vilas County timber sale contracts will require cleaning and inspection of equipment prior to moving into sales to prevent introduction of invasive species onto the county forest.

Bids must be submitted, on bid forms provided by the Vilas County Forestry Department, using price per ton and price per MBF where appropriate. **Minimum bids shall be met for each species and product as advertised. Bids must be accompanied by a performance deposit as indicated for each tract. Performance deposits of unsuccessful bidders will be returned. Letters of Credit, may replace cash or check bid bonds if received within 15 days of the bid opening, after 15 days the check providing the performance deposit will be deposited. Checks will be deposited immediately if a cash deposit is intended to be provided.**

On sales eligible for whole tree harvesting the bidder must indicate their utilization standard (4" Top or whole tree). Use the appropriate volume for the utilization standard.

LOGGER QUALIFICATION AND SCALING REQUIREMENTS: Vilas County requires logger qualification to determine methods of accounting for products sold from all timber sales. Qualification requires provision of information, including past references and action history, from the Purchaser to adequately assess and demonstrate the ability of the Purchaser to successfully follow requirements for the Mill Scale- Haul Permit System and meet payment requirements of that system. If Vilas County determines that the logger is not qualified for mill scale- haul permit system, all wood from the contract will be required to be woods scaled by Vilas County prior to removal from the timber sale area. A listing of approved mill scale qualified logging contractors is available from the Forestry office upon request. Vilas County may change qualified and un-qualified status based upon performance or lack of performance to require woods scale of product at any time for any reason. In all cases, any wood delivered to sites without qualified scaling professionals or weight scaling equipment will require woods scale by county staff.

Woods scaling of cordwood or mixed product volumes will be converted to weight in tons by use of the 'Weight Conversion Factors' in the WDNR Timber Sale Handbook 2461.

In the event that there is a discovery of Heterobasidion Root Disease (HRD) (Heterobasidion irregulare) in Vilas County or an adjacent county during the contract period, the Purchaser shall be required to implement prevention methods for stands that include the harvesting of conifers.

Bidder should make his own estimation of value and volume. Location of timber sale areas and estimated volumes are for individual tracts are as follows:

Tract: 01-20

Legal Description: W1/2 SW Sec. 28 and NWNW Sec. 33 T42N R9E Township: Plum Lake

Sale Name: Monahan

Harvest Area: 74-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Allowed

Estimated Volumes:**Sawlogs & Veneer**

	MBF	Advertised Bid/MBF
Sugar Maple(contains 1 MBF of Red Maple)	15	\$255.00
Red Oak	60	\$276.00

Pulpwood and Boltwood

	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Sugar Maple (contains 56 tons of Red Maple, 4 tons of Ironwood)	600	750	\$8.50
Red Oak	300	400	\$6.80
Fir	170	200	\$4.30

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$5,650.00 **Minimum Total Bid: \$28,256.00****Tract: 04-20**

Legal Description: N1/2NE Sec. 35, T42N R10E Township: Conover

Sale Name: Billy Goat

Harvest Area: 15 -acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Allowed

Estimated Volumes:

Pulpwood and Boltwood	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Aspen	380	480	\$11.10
Mixed Hardwood(contains 3 MBF of Red Maple Logs)	100	130	\$8.50

Mixed Product

	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
White Pine(contains 18 MBF of Logs)	150	190	\$12.80
Red Pine(contains 17 MBF of Logs)	120	150	\$17.00
Jack Pine	90	110	\$12.80
Balsam Fir	70	90	\$4.30

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$2,100.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$10,481.00

Tract: 09-20

Legal Description: SENE, SWNE, & NWNE Section 19, T.40N, R.09E Township: Cloverland

Sale Name: Trampled by Turtles

Harvest Area: 25 -acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Not Allowed

Pulpwood and Boltwood	Estimated Volumes:	
	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Aspen	650	\$11.10
Mixed Hardwood (contains 58% Red Maple, 35% White Birch, 5% Sugar Maple, 2% Black Cherry)	260	\$8.30
Red Oak (contains 1 MBF of Logs)	60	\$6.80

Mixed Product	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
White Pine(contains 54 MBF of Logs)	410	\$13.40
Red Pine(contains 18 MBF of Logs)	140	\$17.90
Balsam Fir	180	\$4.20

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$3,710.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$18,537.00**Tract: 12-20**

Legal Description: NENW, SWNW, Sec. 9 T40N R9E Township: Cloverland

Sale Name: Esox

Harvest Area: 10-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Not Allowed

Sawlogs & Veneer	Estimated Volumes:	
	MBF	Advertised Bid/MBF
Mixed Hardwood (contains Black Ash, Red Maple, Sugar Maple and Birch)	10	\$138.00

Pulpwood and Boltwood	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Mixed Hardwood(contains Black Ash, Red Maple, Sugar Maple and Birch)	200	\$6.40
Black Spruce	180	\$6.40
Tamarack	160	\$4.50
White Pine	30	\$6.40
Red Pine	30	\$6.40
Balsam Fir	30	\$3.20

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$1,000.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$5,012.00

Tract: 13-20

Legal Description: SWSE & SESW Section 29, NWNE & NENW Section 32, T.42N, R.09E Township: Plum Lake

Sale Name: Commando

Harvest Area: 26-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Not Allowed

Mixed Product	Estimated Volumes:	
	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Mixed Hardwood (includes 3 MBF Sugar Maple and 3 MBF Red Maple)	725	\$7.70
Red Oak(Includes 3 MBF Logs)	35	\$6.10
Balsam Fir (contains 127 MBF logs, 20 tons Jack Pine and 5 tons White Spruce)	40	\$3.80
White Spruce	65	\$9.90
(contains 67% White Spruce, 33% White Pine, traces of Red Pine, and 3 MBF White Pine saw logs)		

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$1,320.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$6,951.50**Tract: 16-20**

Legal Description: N1/2SW, Sec. 34, T42N-R9E Township: Conover

Sale Name: Cold Smoke

Harvest Area: 22-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Not Allowed

Pulpwood and Boltwood	Estimated Volumes:	
	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Aspen	130	\$13.00
Red Oak	30	\$8.00
Mixed Hardwood(contains 48% White Birch, 42% Red Maple, 9% Sugar Maple)	110	\$10.00

Mixed Product	Estimated Volumes:	
	to 4" Top (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
White Pine (contains 70 MBF logs)	575	\$11.25
Red Pine(contains 80 MBF logs)	550	\$15.00
Jack Pine	80	\$15.00
Balsam Fir	80	\$5.00
White Spruce	40	\$10.00

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$3,370.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$16,850.00

Tract: 10-19

Legal Description: SENE Section 36, T.42N, R09E; SWSW, NWSW, NESW, & SENW Section 30, and NWNW, NENW, SENW, NWSW, & SWNW Section 31, T.42N, R.10E Township: Conover

Sale Name: Petri Dish

Harvest Area: 44-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Allowed

Mixed Product	Estimated Volumes:		Advertised Bid/Ton
	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	
Black Spruce	400	600	\$10.80
Jack Pine	525	600	\$11.30
Tamarack	85	100	\$6.00
White Pine (contains 18 MBF of Logs)	170	200	\$11.90
Red Pine (contains 3 MBF of Logs)	470	480	\$11.10
Oak (contains 1 ton of Black Cherry)	30	35	\$6.80
Balsam Fir	25	30	\$4.30

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$3,665.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$18,314.00

Tract: 12-19

Legal Description: SESW, Sec. 20, NWNW, Sec. 29, T40N - R9E Township: Cloverland

Sale Name: Whiff

Harvest Area: 31-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Not Allowed

Sawlogs & Veneer	Estimated Volumes:		Advertised Bid/MBF
	MBF		
Red Oak Logs	30		\$255.00
Pulpwood and Boltwood	to 4" Top (tons)		Advertised Bid/Ton
Red Oak	250		\$8.50
Red Maple	60		\$8.50
Mixed Product	to 4" Top (tons)		Advertised Bid/Ton
White Pine (contains 8 MBF of Logs)	60		\$11.90

Contract Term: 3 Years

Performance Deposit: \$2,200.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$10,999.00

Tract: 18-20

Legal Description: SWSW Sec. 20, NWNW, NENW, SWNW, Sec.29, T42N - R9E. Township: Plum Lake

Sale Name: Three Crossings

Harvest Area: 45-acres

Whole Tree Harvesting: Allowed

Estimated Volumes:			
Sawlogs & Veneer	MBF	Advertised Bid/MBF	
Sugar Maple	10	\$255.00	
Oak	10	\$254.00	
Pulpwood and Boltwood	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
Mixed Hardwood(95% Sugar Maple, 5% Red Maple)	400	500	\$8.50
Oak	150	190	\$8.80
Mixed Product	to 4" Top (tons)	Whole Tree (tons)	Advertised Bid/Ton
White Pine(contains 300 MBF of Logs)	2100	2650	\$11.90
Red Pine(contains 150 MBF of Logs)	1100	1400	\$17.00
Balsam Fir (contains 22 tons of Spruce)	370	460	\$7.00

Contract Term: 3 Year

Performance Deposit: \$11,220.00

Minimum Total Bid: \$56,090.00

Any questions pertaining to this timber prospectus should be addressed to Al Murray, Forest Administrator at almurr@vilascountywi.gov or at 715-479-5160